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Man Gets Robbed; Cops Get Robber; Polio Gets \$15

A burglar, a chief of police, and a victim of a burglary all played roles in a real-life drama this week with the result that the March of Dimes is \$15 the richer. Last week a prominent citizen was burglarized of \$30. This he reported to the police. In a very short time the Torrance Police Dept. apprehended the culprit and returned the money to the victim. So grateful and impressed with the prompt action by police was the victim that he turned around and gave half of the \$30 back to the Police Chief John Stroth for him to give to the department's favorite charity. Stroth turned the \$15 over to the March of Dimes.

Quota of \$11,825 Set for Red Cross

Torrance's quota for the 1953 Red Cross fund campaign has been set at \$11,825, Chairman J. Hugh Sherrey said yesterday. "This is an absolute minimum goal," he said, "with Red Cross underwriting 'operation gamma globulin,' to ward off the terrible crippling effects of polio, and increasing blood collections and processing almost 50 per cent. Budgets are stretched to the limit. The Los Angeles chapter, of which we are a part, is seeking \$3,150,000—the same as last year. An absolute over-the-top victory in the fund drive is essential for 'operation gamma globulin,' the chairman said. "And a great deal more blood is needed immediately if we are to stockpile the needed 1,200,000 units of G. G. before the summer polio epidemics."

More than 85 per cent of the Red Cross blood bottles earmarked for participation in America's war against polio remained empty in Los Angeles Regional Blood Service Center vaults as a result of failure to meet the new 22,000-pint quota in January, the chairman said. Only 1002 of the expected 7000 pints to go to 'operation gamma globulin' were collected, although life-saving transfusion needs for civilian hospitals and military whole blood requirements were met. The local chairman also said Commerce and Industry division volunteers will start their drive in large business firms next Monday, Feb. 16. The C. C. I. workers will solicit firm and executive gifts, and help set up employee campaigns. Sherrey, Regional Vice-chairman Frank Afton, and more than 100 other Red Cross fund campaign volunteer leaders of the Los Angeles Chapter attended a luncheon rally held yesterday at the California Club and heard an inspiring talk by LeRoy A. Lincoln, national chairman of the 1953 Red Cross fund campaign. Lincoln pointed out the nationwide need for humane services performed by the Red Cross. Sherrey also announced the appointment of Mrs. Robert Lampson, 20806 S. Western Ave., as a residential colonel for the fund drive.

Mrs. Conklin, 65 Buried Saturday

Stone and Myers Chapel was the scene yesterday at 2 p.m. for funeral services honoring Mrs. Josephine Conklin, 65, who died Wednesday at her home, 1960 Carson St. Following the rites, conducted by Rev. John L. Taylor of the First Methodist Church, graveside services were held at Inglewood Cemetery. Surviving Mrs. Conklin, a native of Marietta, Okla., are two daughters, Mrs. Elsie Miller, 1960 Carson St., and Mrs. Mabel Leshock of Salina, Kans.; a son, Macie Paul Conklin of Modesto, Calif.; a sister, Mittie Weiss of Pasadena; a brother, E. J. Weiss of Dallas, Tex.; five grandchildren, and four great grandchildren.

More Money Needed by Family Service Agencies, Chest Says

More money is needed by family service agencies of the Community Chest to expand service to young people in Torrance, San Pedro and other new tract developments around Los Angeles, according to Knox Farrand, chairman of the General Budget Committee. Limited budgets prevent our agencies from providing staff in adequate numbers to answer all calls, he said, and for this reason we are requesting additional Chest funds for our counseling services and short-time aid. "The tremendous growth of population during the last ten years has multiplied calls for help in cases of mental or physical illness, desertion by a parent, parent-child conflict, and sudden emergencies or tragedies," Farrand continued. "Further increased calls for aid are tied to the greater number of working mothers helping to meet high living costs or buy homes which adds to family strain and threatens the welfare of children. "Unmarried mothers, increasing in numbers as population grows, require relatively expensive care. One agency reported that 25 per cent of its relief funds goes for these girls in an effort to prevent them turning to the black market in babies. "Calls for 'ride-over' help have increased from newcomers, needed by industry, who need help until the first paycheck is received. "Everybody suffers when a family breaks up, not only the parents and the children, but the community at large, as the highest percentage of delinquency is found among children from broken homes," Farrand concluded in appealing for more funds.

SALESMAN SLUGGED, KIDNAPED, ROBBED

Two men were being sought today on a charge of kidnaping and robbery after a local television appliance salesman was slugged, taken into Rolling Hills, and robbed of \$30, according to Torrance police. Victim of the crime was Glen Sprague, 732 W. 140th St., an employee of Nicola's TV and Appliances, 1875 W. Carson St. Sprague told Torrance police on Feb. 5 that as he left a local lounge the night before, he was followed by two men. One of them slugged him and shoved him into a car. They drove to a spot in Rolling Hills, held his wallet containing \$30, and left him.

Torrance Church Calendar

CENTRAL CHURCH EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN
Marcelina & Arlington
Rev. Homer H. Miller, Tor. 311
9:30—Sunday School
11:00—Morning Worship
6:30—Youth Fellowship
7:30—Evening Worship
Midweek Worship Service 7:40
Wednesday evening

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10:45—Worship Service.

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Letters

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on notice of any annexation of county-owned property; and Second, if there is a 50 per cent protest in uninhabited areas, both public and private, the 50 per cent protest can stop any move to annex.
Since this is all publicly-owned land, the county's protest and that of El Camino Junior College would stop it.
As for my own personal opinion on the question of annexation to Torrance, it doesn't make too much difference except that I represent a lot of areas bitterly opposed to having the park annexed to ANY city. They were assessed under the Mattoon Act for the purchase of it and thousands of people lost their homes and property because of the cost of Alondra Park. We have a pending large sum in developing it and I therefore feel I would have to recommend against annexation and vote accordingly.
Insofar as the City of Torrance is concerned I really don't see where you would benefit because it would not in any way change the ownership of the park. We have a lease on the park, we own it, and therefore would receive any revenue and the same holds for all the county improvements. I would suggest that you let matters stand as they are. I hope this is the information you desire.
Very sincerely yours,
RAYMOND V. DARBY
Supervisor Fourth Dist.

January 26, 1953
Mr. Earl A. Lloyd
Planning Engineer
Torrance City Hall
Torrance, California
Dear Mr. Lloyd:

It is my understanding that a special commission has been appointed by the Mayor of Torrance to investigate the facts surrounding the recent agitation for the annexation of Alondra Park which would include the land now occupied by El Camino College. I should like to enumerate certain reasons why El Camino College would not look with favor on this attempted annexation.

1. The El Camino Junior College District was created in 1946 by the voters of Centinela Valley Union High School District, Redondo Union High School District, and El Segundo Unified School District. Later the Torrance High School District, by vote of the electorate, was removed from the Los Angeles School District and became a part of the Redondo Union High School District and thereby became a part of the El Camino Junior College District. Later, as you know, the Torrance Unified District was established with no change in its status with the El Camino Junior College District.
2. Subsequent to the establishment of the junior college district the Board of Trustees proceeded to acquire from the County of Los Angeles ninety acres of land situated in Alondra Park and in the County of Los Angeles.
3. The location of El Camino College was considered favorable since it lay approximately in the center of the junior college district. (Approximately 6 miles from Inglewood, 4 1/2 miles from Torrance, 5 miles from Redondo and 7 miles from El Segundo.)
4. Should the land now occupied by El Camino College be annexed by Torrance it would not in any way change the name or control of the college since this district is an independent junior college district established under the State Education Code and is under the jurisdiction of a separate and autonomous Board of Trustees.
5. It is likely, however, should El Camino College be annexed by any political subdivision that the city annexing this land would be responsible for the maintenance of lights, streets and the furnishing of police and fire protection, etc.
6. A large majority of the monies for capital funds and operating expenses come from assessments on the property valuation of the entire junior college district and, therefore, the citizens, regardless of where they are situated, have an equal right to participate in the policies of the junior college district as set forth by the Board of Trustees. An annexation by one of these cities would tend to alienate the support we naturally expect to receive from the remaining communities.
7. It has been noted in the public press that certain city officials are under the impression that the city of Gardena is about to annex El Camino College. This is impossible. The City of Gardena is in the Los Angeles School District and the true cause of your confusion was removed from the Los Angeles School District. May I conclude by referring to a motion of the Board of Trustees of the El Camino Junior College District reflected in their minutes of March 11, 1952.

Police Caution Merchants About Bouncing Checks

Merchants were warned this week to be cautious about cashing some bogus checks believed to be floating around in the area. The checks are signed R. B. Van Alstine and may be drawn on either the Security First National Bank, 14th St. and Wilshire branch, or the Bank of America, Hermosa Beach branch. On the Security checks the words Painting Contractor appear in the upper left hand corner, according to Police Chief John Stroth. Some of the checks which have appeared have been made out to Carl H. Justice.

'52 Fire Loss Set at \$81,000

Fire loss in Torrance during 1952 was set at \$81,119.88 in a report compiled yesterday by Fire Chief J. J. Bender. Residential fires totaled 59 and were credited with a loss of \$21,878.12, according to Bender's report. The \$28,000 fire which gutted the Quality Market on Torrance Blvd. gave the month of March the dubious honor of being the high month. Total losses during that month were pegged at \$30,778.98. Lowest month of the year was August—72 fires and no losses. The fires were mostly grass fires. Total grass fires for the year were 216.

Clyde Bodley Completes Work for B.A. Degree

Clyde H. Bodley, 1506 W. 214th St., is among 130 students completing requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree at the conclusion of the fall semester at the Santa Barbara College of the University of California. Dr. J. Harold Williams, provost, announced. Bodley completed his degree with a major in education. He and his classmates will be formally graduated in June and will receive their degrees from Robert Gordon Sproul, president of the University of California, at commencement exercises.

Harbor Nurses to Hold Dinner Meet Wednesday

Beginning at 6 p.m. next Wednesday, Feb. 11, the Harbor Nurses Association, District 21, will serve a ham dinner in the staff room of the San Pedro Community Hospital. Open to the public, the dinner is priced at \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for children. All proceeds will go toward scholarships for student nurses who are now in training, according to Mrs. Donella Druzowski, ways and means chairman, who is in charge of arrangements. In which they express the wish that there be no annexation of the college property by the City of Torrance. I am enclosing a copy of that motion. If there are any other matters which you would like to discuss with me kindly advise, or should you like me to appear before the Fact Finding Commission or the Council I would be very glad to do so. FORREST G. MURDOCK
Very truly yours,
FORREST G. MURDOCK
Superintendent

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